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SUBJ: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TOLBERT CONCERNING CUBAN
ACTIVITIES AROUND ZAIRE

EMBASSY HAS BEEN ASKED TO FORWARD THE FOLLOWING LETTER
FROM PRESIDENTTOLBERT TO PRESIDENT CARTER REGARDING
ZAIRE PRESIDENT MOBUTU'S CONCERNS ABOUT CUBAN
ACTIVITIES WHICH SURROUND HIS COUNTRY:

"DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT MY COLLEAGUE AND FRIEND,
PRESIDENT MOBUTU SESE SEKO OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE,
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HAS ASKED US TO RAISE WITH YOUR EXCELLENCY THE QUESTION
OF CUBAN ACTIVITIES WHICH NOW SURROUND HIS COUNTRY.
HE INDICATES THAT THE CUBANS ARE PRACTICALLY IN ALL
COUNTRIES WITHIN THE REGION, EXCEPT THE CENTRAL
AFRICAN EMPIRE AND RWANDA. AND BECAUSE THE ZAIREAN
LEADER IS DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS SITUATION, HE
IS HIGHLY INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT THE UNITED STATES

THINKS OF IT AND WHAT MIGHT BE THE CURRENT ATTITUDE OF
YOUR GOVERNMENT TOWARD THIS MATTER.

I THOUGHT IT EXPEDIENT TO BRING THIS DEVELOPMENT TO
YOUR CONSIDERATE ATTENTION IN ORDER THAT WE MAY HAVE
AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT DURING OUR
MEETING IN MOROVIA.

AS WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FORWARD WITH SATISFACTION TO
RECEIVING YOU IN LIBERIA, WE WISH FOR YOU A SUCCESSFUL
AND REWARDING VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA, AND TRUST THAT
YOUR HISTORIC JOURNEY TO THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA WILL
BE MOST PLEASANT.

PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE RENEWED ASSURANCES
OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM,

SINCERELY,
W.R. TOLBERT, JR."
CARTER UNQUOTE COOPER

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